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of the Town Officers

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TOWN OFFICERS

Board of Selectmen

LAURENCE S. RING, Chairman	(Term expires 1994)
DONALD G. STRAW	(Term expires 1992)
JEFFREY L. HENAULT	(Term expires 1993)

Town Office

TELEPHONE 823-8468

Selectmen's Secretary

LAURIE HENAULT

Town Clerk

EDITH ALDRICH

Tax Collector

EDITH ALDRICH

Treasurer

LISSA BOISSONNEAULT

Town Auditor

WILLIAM PINNEY

Fire Chief

PETER ROBERTSON

Chief of Police

RICHARD DONOVAN (Appointed)

To Report A Fire

911

Sheriff's Department

1-800-564-6911

EMERGENCY ONLY 911

Highway Agent

HAROLD ALDRICH

Overseer of Public Welfare

LISSA BOISSONNEAULT

Health Officer

MARGARET PECKETT

Civil Defense

ROBERT HAYWARD, SR.

Moderator

ROBERT WHITNEY (Term expires 1992)

Trustees of the Trust Funds

MARION HEPBURN, Chairman	(1993)
RAYMOND DICKINSON	(1992)
AUBREY REID	(1994)

Supervisors of the Checklist

Dr. JOHN ROWBOTHAM, Chairman	(1996)
PRISCILLA DUBE	(1994)
LINDA MITCHELL	(1992)

Library Trustees

HANS WEND (1993)
SYBIL NORTON (1992)
MARION HEPBURN (1994)

Carolina Crapo Fund Trustees

JAMES MCCUSKER (1992)
PHIL STRUHSACKER (1996)
MITCHELL VINCENT (1994)

Planning Board

PHILIP ROBERTSON, Chairman	(1992)	WILLIAM PINNEY	(1993)
PAUL PINKHAM	(1993)	ROGER ALDRICH	(1993)
JEFFREY HENAULT, ex officio	(1992)	ROBERT CONDON	(1994)
DAVID THURSTON	(1994)		

Zoning Board of Adjustment

BRUCE PERLO, Chairman	(1992)	JEANNE RING	(1994)
ROGER ALDRICH	(1994)	JAMES MCCUSKER, Alternate	(1992)
JAMES WALKER	(1993)	MITCHELL VINCENT, Alternate	(1993)
WILLIAM TUCKER	(1993)	PATRICK KELLY, Alternate	(1994)

Conservation Commission

JOHN MCILWAINE, Chairman	(1994)		
JEFFREY RENNELL	(1994)	SANDRA COFFIN WHITE	(1993)
LINDA SAWICKI	(1994)	WILLIAM PINNEY	(1994)
ROSINA HUBLEY	(1992)		

Recreation Program

--SUGAR HILL--
JOANNE MOGREN
BARRY FIELD (resigned 12/91)
COLLEEN FOLEY
--EASTON--
PAT EVERY
DAVE MATTHEWS

--FRANCONIA--
JANE HUGHES
NANCY SORENSON
DAVE SULLIVAN

All 1991 reports from various agencies not printed in this Town Report
are on file in the Selectmen's Office and available upon request.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - RESULTS

March 12, 1991

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. declared the polls open at 11:00 AM for voting by ballot on Article 1 (the election of Town Officers), Articles 2 through 7 (Zoning Amendments), and Article 8 (Legally blind Exemptions). The polls will close at 7:30 PM at which time the remaining Articles will be voted on.

ARTICLE 1. To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Treasurer to serve a term of one (1) year
- A Town Clerk to serve a term of one (1) year
- A Tax Collector to serve a term of one (1) year
- An Overseer of Public Welfare to serve a term of one (1) year
- A Library Trustee to serve a term of three (3) years
- A Supervisor of the Checklist to fill a vacancy until 1996
- A Supervisor of the Checklist to fill a vacancy until 1992
- A Trustee of Trust Funds to serve a term of three (3) years
- A Town Auditor to serve a term of one (1) year

and any such other Town Officers as may be required by law.

Results of Article 1.

Selectman	Laurence S. Ring	135
	James Walker	88
Town Clerk	Edith M. Aldrich	212
Town Treasurer	Lissa M. Boissonneault	197
Tax Collector	Edith M. Aldrich	213
Overseer of Public Welfare	Lissa M. Boissonneault	199
Library Trustee	Marion E. Hepburn	206
Trustee of Trust Funds	Aubrey K. Reid	205
Town Auditor	William Pinney	24
Supervisor of the Checklist (1996) ..	John L. Bowbotham	194
Supervisor of the Checklist (1992) ..	Linda Mitchell	29

ARTICLE 2. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #1 which would allow for the appointment or election of the Board of Adjustment. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this amendment is to allow for either the election or the appointment of the Board of Adjustment. The Present Ordinance allows only for appointment.”

Results of Article 2. Yes 167, No 34.

ARTICLE 3. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #2 which would allow a new section on septic systems. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this amendment is to insert into the Town’s Zoning Ordinance a new Section 413 concerning septic system requirements where the number of bedrooms have been increased in an existing dwelling unit or a change from seasonal occupancy to full time occupancy or the structure is expanded, increasing the load on the existing septic system.”

Results of Article 3. Yes 103, No 93.

ARTICLE 4. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #3 which would change requirements for a private right-of-way to reach a back lot. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this Amendment is to waive the Town road standards when a private road is used to serve a single back lot.”

Results of Article 4. Yes 148, No 46.

ARTICLE 5. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #4 which would place limitations on the size of a Light Commercial use. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the Meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this Amendment is to limit the area of the buildings used in a Light Commercial use to two times the floor area of the residence on the lot. In no instance shall the building (or buildings) involved in the Light Commercial use exceed the maximum combined area of 4,000 square feet or five percent (5%) of the area of the lot, whichever is smaller.”

Results of Article 5. Yes 136, No 58.

ARTICLE 6. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #5 which would prohibit the bulk storage of hazardous materials for a Light Commercial use. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by The Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this Amendment is to add an additional standard for Light Commercial use prohibiting the bulk storage of hazardous materials as designated by the United States Department of Transportation.”

Results of Article 6. Yes 135, No 59.

ARTICLE 7. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #6 which would add a new Shorefront overlay district. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this Amendment is to add a new Shorefront overlay district which would restrict the use of land to a depth of 150 feet from the normal high water level on all lakes and ponds over ten (10) acres and the Gale River, and other restrictions including minimum shore frontage of 200 feet.”

Results of Article 7. Yes 123, No 66.

ARTICLE 8. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the exemption of \$15,000 of assessed property value for a legally blind property owner as provided by RSA 72:37 by voting on the following question:

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37 for the exemption for the blind from property tax. This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year from the property tax on a residence to the value of \$15,000.”

Results of Article 8. Yes 156, No 47.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. declared the polls closed at 7:30 PM and called the meeting to order of the newest and best town in the State of New Hampshire. All persons not legal voters were asked to move to the back of the room. Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. announced that on page 38 of our town report there is an error in printing. There is a blank after the Mutual Series Shares Fund. The amount in this blank space should be \$18,302.00 and the total should be \$324,450.00.

Moderator Whitney stated we have voted by ballot on Articles 1 through 8 therefore we would start the meeting with Article 9.

ARTICLE 9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget:

Moderator Whitney said he would read each item, pause after each and if there are any questions or comments to please address them to the chair.

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 10,350.00
Town Officers' Expenses	25,000.00

Moderator Whitney said he had suggested to the Selectmen that this be called Town Office Expense as he believes it is more accurate.

Election and Registration Expenses	500.00
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Selectman Laurence Ring pointed out that last year the Supervisor of the Checklist Chairman did not submit a bill for their time. Therefore Selectman Laurence Ring would like to amend the total appropriation bottom line by an increase of \$220.00. Seconded by Jeffrey Henault. All in favor of the amendment were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it.

General Government Buildings	10,000.00
Planning Board	2,500.00
Zoning Board	1,000.00

Selectman Laurence Ring said they had not received a request from the Zoning Board. Their expense so far this year is now in excess of \$800.00. Input was asked for from the Zoning Board Chairman. Chairman Bruce Perlo said this was not quite correct. Discussion about amounts of money to be used by the Zoning Board were held and he asked the Selectmen to make an estimate based on their knowledge of what the legal expenses of the Town have been for other matters such as the one going on between the Selectmen and the Zoning Board. Chairman Bruce Perlo said he could make no estimate as to what it is going to be. Selectman Laurence Ring said that they did have that discussion and as a result put in the figure of \$1,000.00. Selectman Ring is now asking if the Zoning Board wishes to revise this figure with the present knowledge. Mr. Perlo responded with "no idea".

General Legal Expenses	5,000.00
Police Department (eight hours each day)	55,500.00

Discussion on the police department.
Donald Boissonneault made a motion to amend by increasing the amount by \$20,000.00 seconded by David Southworth.

Selectman Jeffrey Henault gave a break down of figures for expenses. On this information Donald Boissonneault amended his motion to increase the amount by \$15,000.00 seconded by David Southworth.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said we would vote on the amendment to increase the police Department by \$15,000.00. All in favor were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". A few scattered No votes. The "Ayes" have it so declared by Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr.

Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund	5,000.00
Fire Department	29,000.00

Discussion on the fire department.
Lissa Boissonneault pointed out that the Fire Department no longer receives money from the Town of Easton as they have formed their own department. We have recently had a serious fire in Sugar Hill which has created extra expense. She would like to see the fire department budget put back to what it was last year.

Motion made by Lissa Boissonneault to increase the fire department budget figure by \$2,500.00 seconded by David Presby.

Selectman Laurence Ring pointed out that the Selectmen had not received a specific budget from the fire department. They received word that the same operating monies were wanted as last year. Last year they had \$31,500.00 and spent \$32,500.00. This was because they did not receive as much money from the Town of Easton. In the money spent there was \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 used for upgrading the last purchased vehicle. This is the way the Selectmen arrived at the operating expense of the fire department.

Further discussion.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said we were voting on the amendment to increase the fire department figure by \$2,500.00. All in favor were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". A few scattered "No" votes. The "Ayes" have it.

Civil Defense	100.00
Town Highway Maintenance	50,000.00

Discussion followed.

Motion made by Selden Hannah that the Town spend no more money on the so-called Crane Hill Road. Seconded by Mitchell Vincent.

Roger Aldrich said this is a class V road already accepted by the state and you can not stop maintenance.

If you come in with a warrant article next year you can vote to close it.

Discussion followed.

David Southworth a former selectman said he was one of the Selectmen involved with laying out the road. It has been accepted by the State, is a class V road and has to be maintained. You can come in next year with a warrant article to discontinue the use of it.

Further discussion.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. told Mr. Hannah he didn't think the chair could accept his motion as he doesn't think the Town can direct the Selectmen as to what to do with the money or not to do with it once appropriated.

Highway Block Grant	24,805.39
General Highway Department Expense	32,000.00
Highway Dept. Heavy Equip. Capital Res. Fund	10,000.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal	22,350.00

Emily Hess asked if this covered the hazardous waste collection. Selectmen Laurence Ring said that it did. A day will be set aside for hazardous waste collection.

Health	25.00
Health, Hospitals and Ambulances	4,751.69
Vital Statistics	25.00
Franconia Life Squad	1,000.00
Library	4,000.00

Parks and Recreation	4,716.00
Sugar Hill-Franconia-Easton C of C	4,000.00
Patriotic	100.00

Florence Rosenberg asked what this was for. Selectman Laurence Ring said mostly flags for the cemeteries. Civil Defense was also asked about. It was pointed out that some money has to be in the budget or if we needed it there wouldn't be any to spend. Selectman Laurence Ring said we have a figure under Welfare of \$100.00. These are hard times and we may be called upon to help out. Linda Sawicki asked about the Chamber of Commerce. Meri Hern spoke of the work they do and Maxine Aldrich stated that the money raised by the Town is used for the information booth operators only.

Conservation Commission	150.00
Principal on Long-Term Notes	20,000.00
Interest Expense-Long-Term Notes	11,000.00
Interest Expense-Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000.00
Welfare	100.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$344,973.08
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Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said the Article will now read: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget: This now totals \$367,693.08. Moved by David Southworth seconded by David Presby. All in favor are asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for the completion of the revised Town Plan.

Moved by Harry Levin seconded by Marion Hepburn.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 10 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to be expended for a road sweeper.

Moved by Harold Aldrich seconded by Edna Glaessel.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 11 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". A few No votes. The "Ayes" have it.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) for partial painting of the exterior of the Meetinghouse.

Moved by Marion Hepburn seconded by Mitchell Vincent.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 12 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to establish the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:3 for the purpose of providing funds for major improvements.

Moved by Aubrey Reid seconded by Deborah McIlwaine.

All in favor of article 13 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund.

Moved by Marion Hepburn seconded by Elaine Burpee.

All in favor of Article 14 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for cemetery maintenance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw interest accrued during 1990 from the Cemetery Trust Funds to offset the above amount (Approximately \$3,400.00).

Moved by John McIlwaine seconded by Sarah Pinney.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 15 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the purchase of speed limit signs to be placed on Town roads that have been reported to have significant numbers of violators.

Moved by James Walker seconded by Harry Levin.

Discussion followed.

Selectman Laurence Ring said this article is due to the number of complaints from the voters asking for more speed limit signs and others complaining about the number of signs up and down Main St. Our State law reads that off street classified roads are under a certain speed limit. The Chief of Police says it hurts his case if there is no speed limit sign posted.

Harry Levin would like to amend the motion to include changeover of the flashing yellow lights in the school zone to put them over the road rather than on the side as they are at the present time. The present flashing lights are not clearly visible.

David Southworth said this is State controlled not Town.

Bruce Perlo asked where the signs would be placed. The answer was Lafayette, Birches, Easton or wherever needed.

Star Ford pointed out that it is part of New Hampshire's driver license exam to know the speed limits on these roads.

All in favor of Article 16 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". A number of "Aye" votes. The "No" votes have it so declared Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) to replace the existing main truck doors at the Firehouse with energy efficient doors.

Moved by David Southworth seconded by Harry Levin.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 17 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a for the maintenance and care of street lighting and to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for said fund. The purpose of the trust will be to provide funds for the removal of failed fixtures and/or repositioning of fixtures for purpose of safety and security or to upgrade to a new lighting system. The Trustees of the Street Light Trust shall be the Trustees of Trust Funds.

Moved by Edna Glaessel seconded by Harold Aldrich.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 18 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it. One No vote.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$195.00) for the purpose of supporting the Center for New Beginnings (CNB), a not-for-profit social service agency which provides clinical treatment and counseling to victims of sexual, verbal and physical abuse and to perpetrators of abuse who reside in this town but who are unable to pay in part or in whole for the services received. (By Petition)

Moved by Meri Hern seconded by Jeanne Peraino.

Discussion followed.

All in favor of Article 19 were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend without further action of the Town Meeting money from the state, federal or other governmental units or a private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year, as provided in RSA 31:95-b which limits the expenditures to legal purposes for which a town may appropriate money and requires a public hearing prior to the Selectmen taking any action.

Moved by David Southworth seconded by Michael Hern.

All in favor were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. introduced our runner of the evening who is from Madrid, Spain. Ignacio Moreno is a guest of the Peraino family. Selectman Laurence Ring said he felt this was a great showing for Town Meeting to have over 200 voters. Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said it was most satisfying. We have 346 on the checklist and over 200 voted.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by the Town Tax Collector’s Deed either by public auction or by advertised sealed bids as provided in RSA 80:42.

Moved by Deborah McIlwaine seconded by Sarah Pinney.

All in favor of Article 21 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and authorize the Tax Collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes as provided in RSA 80:52-a.

Moved by Sarah Pinney seconded by John McIlwaine.

No discussion.

All in favor were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it. No votes recorded in opposition.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Moved by Bertram Dube’ seconded by Lissa Boissonneault.

No discussion.

All in favor were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. The “Ayes” have it. No votes recorded in opposition.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to direct a discount of one percent (1%) to be made to those persons or corporations who shall pay taxes within a period of three weeks from the date of the tax bill. A discount is authorized as provided in the Article by RSA 80:52.

Moved by George Foss seconded by Florence Rosenberg.

Discussion followed.

David Southworth said that when the State sets the tax rate we raise 1% of our taxes in order to give it back to those who can afford to pay early and get the 1% discount.

All in favor of Article 24 were asked to signify by saying “Aye”, opposed “No”. There were a few “No” votes. Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. declared the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 25. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Edith Aldrich, Town Clerk reported that she had received a call from the Town of Franconia that the 911 number would go on line April 15th. This number plus the 8123 will both be in use for the first year. There is supposed to be a memo with the telephone bills mailed in April on the 911 number.

David Southworth had a question on Article 13. Establishing Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Southworth doesn't remember but believes the RSA appoints the agents for that fund also. If agents aren't appointed you can't spend it. Selectman Jeffrey Henault said this is covered under 35:3.

Mistakes in the Town Report. Planning Board member Beth Perlo said the Planning Board meets the first Tuesday not the first Monday of the month.

On page 43 under report of Town Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger we have the Deputy Wardens of Easton listed. Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said we could just cross them off.

Selectman Jeffrey Henault said under Article 9 he had added the changes incorrectly. The amount voted on was \$367,693.08 and it should have been \$362,693.08. This is an amended correct amount. Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. asked if the Town would accept the amended amount. All in favor were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". The "Ayes" have it. There were no opposed votes.

Edna Glaessel said she would like to commend the Moderator for doing such a good job.

George Foss. Question. Can any report be made to the Town about the litigation matter?

Selectman Donald Straw asked if we wanted it.

Selectman Straw said he would refer to this as a summary of events without going into any of the details.

Oct. 23, 1990. Hearing by the ZBA in which the ZBA approved a special exception request for an oil storage and distribution business.

Nov. 8, 1990. The Selectmen filed a motion for rehearing with the ZBA.

Nov. 13, 1990. The motion for rehearing was denied by the ZBA.

Dec. 4, 1990. The Town Attorney filed an appeal from decision in Grafton County Superior Court requesting the ZBA decision be vacated.

Jan. 15th. Letter was sent by the Selectmen to ZBA requesting that the ZBA allow the court to issue an order for a rehearing.

No answer was received from the ZBA.

Feb. 1st. Selectmen filed a motion with the court to issue an order remanding the issue back to the ZBA for rehearing.

At a later date in February the ZBA filed an objection to this motion with the court.

Feb. 19th. ZBA held a meeting, specifically a meeting without notice to abutters and filed a notice of decision after having suspended their original decision.

Later in February the Town Attorney amended the original appeal to indicate that a mobile home is not a dwelling by definition.

At the present the Board of Selectmen are still seeking a rehearing with proper notice including notice to abutters and the opportunity for the people to be heard on the issues raised by the Selectmen.

At this point Selectman Donald Straw said he would like to make a motion. He asked Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. if this was proper.

Motion "It is the sense of this Town Meeting that the issue between the Board of Selectmen and the ZBA relative to their decision of October 23, 1990 should be settled in this Town rather than in the court, and further that this Town Meeting supports the rehearing request presently before the court."

Motion seconded by Roger Aldrich.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. asked that the motion be stated again.

Selectman Donald Straw asked if it was proper.

Selectman Straw repeated the motion.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. said the chair will allow the motion, but would emphasize that this motion is not binding on anybody, that it is a motion of sense of the meeting only and is not binding.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. called for discussion under this motion. There were no questions or statements.

All in favor of the motion were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". There were no votes in opposition.

Emily Hess. Last years Town Report was nominated by the N.H. Municipal Association and received first place in towns under 1,000 population.

Harry Levin asked what is happening with cable.

Selectman Laurence Ring responded. The Town has a contract with Grassroots Cable Systems with the installation of service in Town divided into three phases. There is a map out on the bulletin board. Given a certain percentage of subscribers on the first phase they would go to phase two which would cover a wider area. The Cable television people set the rate for the first phase people in anticipation that it would cost more to set up the second and third phases. They had hoped for 60% of the people to sign up and they got about 25%. Based on that they felt they could not cable the whole town per contract. As a result those in phase one received a reduction in the amount they are charged.

Further discussion followed.

Town Clerk, Edith Aldrich thanked those who have provided the election meals over the years. They have all been excellent. Mike & Meri Hern have provided the last few election meals and at no cost to the taxpayers. Thank you.

Selectman Laurence Ring said after all the needling they have received we now have our own P.A. System. It belongs to the town and will be available to all the groups in town. You will be asked to sign up for it through the Selectmens Office.

Moderator Robert Whitney, Jr. asked all elected officers to come to the front of the room and be sworn in at the close of the meeting.

Moved by John McIlwaine seconded by Harold Aldrich to adjourn. All in favor were asked to signify by saying "Aye", opposed "No". Meeting adjourned 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Aldrich, Town Clerk

All elected officials were sworn in by moderator Robert Whitney, Jr.

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 41,310.68	
Investments	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Cash		\$ 46,310.68
Cemetery Trust Funds	37,380.23	
Capital Reserve Funds	33,895.22	
Expendable Trust Funds	<u>45,541.37</u>	
		116,816.82
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1989	12,133.35	
Levy of 1990	37,557.34	
Prior Year	<u>2,084.87</u>	
Total Unredeemed Taxes		51,775.56
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1991	134,279.39	
Prior Year	<u>211.90</u>	
Total Uncollected Taxes		<u>134,491.29</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		\$349,394.35

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Cemetery Funds	\$ 37,380.23	
Capital Reserve Funds	33,895.22	
Expendable Trust Fund	45,541.37	
School District Tax Payable	196,457.00	
Capital Improvement Program	<u>340.00</u>	
Total Liabilities		\$313,613.82
Fund Balance - Current Surplus		<u>35,780.53</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$349,394.35

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land Under Current Use (At Current Use Values)	\$ 524,051.00
Residential Land	27,716,895.00
Buildings	34,738,820.00
Manufactured Housing	19,050.00
Public Utilities	<u>888,244.00</u>
 Total Valuation Before Exemptions	 \$63,887,060.00
Elderly Exemptions	<u>120,000.00</u>
 Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed	 \$63,767,060.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations		\$397,388.00
Less: Total Revenues and Credits		<u>121,179.00</u>
 Net Town Appropriations		 \$276,209.00
 Net School Tax Assessments:		
Lafayette	187,979.00	
Profile	<u>212,678.00</u>	400,657.00
Less Revenue and Credits		11,264.00
 County Tax Assessment		 <u>66,444.00</u>
 Total Assessments		 \$455,837.00
 Property Tax To Be Raised		 \$732,046.00
 1991 Tax Rate:		
Town	\$ 4.33	
County	1.04	
School	<u>6.11</u>	
	\$11.48	Per 1,000 Valuation

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings			\$195,950.00
Furniture and Equipment			30,000.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings			120,500.00
Furniture and Equipment			15,000.00
Police Department Equipment			35,000.00
Fire Department, Land and Buildings			209,250.00
Equipment			360,000.00
Highway Department, Land and Buildings			219,895.00
Equipment			154,000.00
Materials and Supplies			2,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds			
Coffin Pond	57,650.00		
Tennis Court	<u>7,800.00</u>		65,450.00
Schools, Land and Buildings, Equipment			280,950.00
Historical Museum			96,450.00
Woodland			
Center District	106,000.00		
Creamery Pond	<u>5,700.00</u>	<u>111,700.00</u>	
TOTAL			\$1,896,145.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Voters of the Town of Sugar Hill:

I herewith submit my thirtieth report of the financial doings of my office for the year 1991.

Auto Tax Registration Applications	\$54,824.00
Dog Licenses sold in 1991	
\$406.50 less fees retained of \$36.00	370.50
Marriage Licenses	
\$320.00 less fees retained of \$56.00	264.00
Dump Decals	74.00
Dog Complaint Fines	210.00
Vital Statistics Request	160.00
Filing Fees	14.00
Insufficient Funds	<u>5.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$55,921.50

The sum of the total receipts was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Edith M. Aldrich
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1991

DEBITS

	Levies Of:	
	1991	Prior
Uncollected Taxes -		
Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ -0-	\$97,938.70
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	716,548.38	-0-
National Bank Stock Taxes	1.44	-0-
Land Use Change Tax		5,660.00
Yield Taxes	3,770.25	1,262.70
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	.37	5.78
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes:	585.88	8,089.57
Insufficient Funds Fee:	<u>10.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$720,916.32	\$112,956.75

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$577,578.08	\$96,757.56
Land Use Change Tax		5,660.00
Yield Taxes	3,753.93	1,262.70
National Bank Stock Taxes	1.44	-0-
Interest on Taxes	585.88	8,089.57
Insufficient Funds Fee	10.00	-0-
Discounts Allowed:	4,419.78	5.40
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	271.50	969.62
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	134,279.39	211.90
Yield Taxes	<u>16.32</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$720,916.32	\$112,956.75

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1991

DEBITS

	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of 1990	1989	Levies Of Prior
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of Fiscal Year:	\$ -0-	\$22,104.28	\$10,125.26
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	43,874.82	-0-	-0-
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution:	180.00	1,692.17	2,420.84
Redemption Cost:	<u>47.61</u>	<u>31.40</u>	<u>12.50</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$44,102.43	\$23,827.85	\$12,558.60

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:			
Redemptions	\$ 6,317.48	\$ 9,970.93	\$ 8,040.39
Interest & Cost After Sale	227.61	1,723.57	2,433.34
Unredeemed Taxes End of Year	<u>37,557.34</u>	<u>12,133.35</u>	<u>2,084.87</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$44,102.43	\$23,827.85	\$12,558.60

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, January 1, 1991	\$ 38,221.75	
Money Market, Peoples National Bank of Littleton	<u>80,000.00</u>	\$ 118,221.75
Edith M. Aldrich, Tax Collector	722,412.48	
Edith M. Aldrich, Town Clerk	55,921.50	
State of New Hampshire	53,001.41	
Interest on NOW Account	3,087.17	
Interest on Money Market Account	1,030.40	
Town Fees	1,141.00	
Highway Department Revenue	836.25	
Fire Department Revenue	475.00	
Police Department Revenue	97.00	
Rent of Town Property	300.00	
Refunds	3,193.56	
Fines & Forfeits Municipal Court	50.00	
Sale of Town Property	175.00	
Temporary Loans (Tax Anticipation Note, PBL)	225,000.00	
Withdrawals from Expendable Trust Funds	5,038.69	
Postage, Copies & Sale of Town Ordinances	74.00	
Checks Not Cashed	4.62	
Richardson Memorial Library - S.S. & Withholding	<u>516.97</u>	<u>1,072,355.05</u>
Total Available		\$1,190,576.80

PAYMENTS

Orders of Selectmen:

Payment of Accounts	\$1,144,266.12	\$1,144,266.12
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In Treasurer Accounts:

Cash on Hand, December 31, 1991	41,310.68	
Money Market, Peoples National Bank of Littleton	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>46,310.68</u>
		\$1,190,576.80

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Year, 1991	\$577,577.71
National Bank Stock Taxes	1.44
Yield Tax, 1991	3,753.93
Interest Received on Taxes, 1991	585.88
Miscellaneous Taxes, 1991	.37
Insufficient Check Charges	10.00

Total Current Year's Taxes Remitted	\$ 581,929.33
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Property Taxes, Previous Years	96,751.78
Interest Received on Taxes, Previous Years	6,986.28
Tax Sales Redeemed	28,713.32
Yield Taxes, Previous Years	1,262.70
Miscellaneous Taxes, Previous Years	6,769.07

From State:

Highway Subsidy Block Grant	24,805.39
Revenue Sharing Distribution	28,196.02

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses and Complaints	580.50
Permits, Filing Fees & Hearing Costs:	
Building Permits	340.00
Current Use Fees	15.00
ZBA Hearing Costs	339.00
Planning Board Fees	447.00
Marriage Licenses	264.00
Filing Fees For Town Office Positions	14.00

Interest on NOW Account	3,087.17
Interest on Money Market Account	1,030.40
Highway Revenue	836.25
Motor Vehicle Permits	54,824.00
Vital Statistic Requisitions	160.00
Dump Stickers	74.00
Insufficient Check Charges	5.00

Total Current Revenue Receipts	837,430.21
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Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Refunds	3,193.56
Sale of Town Property	175.00
Fire Department Revenue	475.00
Police Department Revenue	97.00
Rent of Town Property	300.00
Fines & Forfeits Municipal Court	50.00
Temporary Loans	225,000.00
Withdrawals from Expendable Trust Funds	5,038.69
Postage, Copies & Sale of Town Ordinances	74.00
Checks Not Cashed	4.62
Richardson Memorial Library - S.S. & Withholding	516.97

Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	234,924.84
Total Receipts From All Sources	1,072,355.05
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1991	<u>118,221.75</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,190,576.80

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 10,527.79	
Town Officers' Expenses	20,604.01	
Election & Registration Expenses	875.13	
General Government Buildings	11,805.68	
Planning & Zoning	5,723.00	
Legal Expenses	5,031.38	
Advertising & Regional Association	4,000.00	
Cemeteries - Article #15	7,000.00	
Patriotic Purposes	<u>-0-</u>	
Total General Government Expenses:		\$ 65,566.99
Public Safety:		
Police Department	73,413.71	
Fire Department	<u>32,105.13</u>	
Total Public Safety Expenses:		105,518.84
Highways, Streets & Bridges:		
Town Maintenance	54,963.04	
General Expenses of Highway Department	31,985.58	
Highway Block Grant	24,805.39	
Street Lighting	<u>9,485.05</u>	
Total Highways, Streets & Bridges:		121,239.06
Sanitation:		
Solid Waste Disposal	20,413.74	
Total Sanitation:		20,413.74
Health:		
Health Department	4,751.69	
Ambulance	-0-	
Vital Statistics	152.50	
Franconia Life Squad	<u>1,000.00</u>	
Total Health Expenses:		5,904.19
Culture & Recreation:		
Library	4,000.00	
Recreation	<u>5,097.28</u>	
Total Culture & Recreation:		9,097.28
Debt Service:		
Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	19,937.89	
Interest Exp. Long-Term Bonds & Notes	11,633.16	
Interest Exp. Tax Anticipation Notes	<u>4,367.04</u>	

Total Debt Service Payments:		35,938.09
Capital Outlay:		
Article #10 - Town Plan	2,500.00	
Article #11 - Road Sweeper	6,072.00	
Article #12 - Painting of Meetinghouse	3,803.95	
Article #14 - Meetinghouse CRF	5,000.00	
Article #17 - Fire Doors	6,884.00	
Article #18 - Street Lighting	1,000.00	
Article #19 - Center For New Beginnings	<u>195.00</u>	
Total Capital Outlay:		25,454.95
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Town Plan	1,141.35	
Cartographics, Composite Map	784.00	
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve	5,000.00	
Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve	10,000.00	
John O'Brien - Fire Pond CRF	<u>1,953.41</u>	
Total Capital Reserve Funds:		18,878.76
Miscellaneous:		
Insurance	1,749.44	
Misc. Payroll Taxes	270.15	
Service Charge	10.70	
Taxes Bought by the Town	<u>43,874.82</u>	
Total Miscellaneous:		45,905.11
Unclassified:		
Payments - Tax Anticipation Note	225,000.00	
Discount - Abatements - Refunds	<u>259.11</u>	
Total Unclassified:		225,259.11
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes Paid to County	67,751.00	
Payments to School Districts	<u>397,339.00</u>	
Total Payments To Other Governmental Divisions:		<u>465,090.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL PAYMENTS		\$1,144,266.12

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Edith Aldrich		\$ 6,760.00
Laurence Ring, Chairman		850.00
Donald Straw		800.00
Jeffrey Henault		800.00
Lissa M. Boissonneault, Treasurer		800.00
Lissa M. Boissonneault, Overseer of Public Welfare		150.00
Robert Whitney - Moderator		100.00
Social Security - Paid	535.50	
Withheld	<u>267.71</u>	<u>267.79</u>

Total		10,527.79
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TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Laurie Henault - Salary		6,294.45
Reimbursement		36.04
Social Security - Paid	963.05	
Withheld	<u>481.52</u>	481.53
N.H. Municipal Association - Dues		520.00
Equity Publishing		308.20
N.H. Association of Assessors - Dues		20.00
N.C. Council - Dues		658.21
Lyndonville Office Equipment		291.18
Sherwin/Dodge Printers		608.06
Sandi Reinhold - FAX		39.00
N.H. Tax Collectors Association		15.00
Franconia Insurance		674.00
N.H. Resource Recovery - Dues		100.00
Littleton Office Supply		41.58
Harrison Publishing - Town Reports		1,425.00
Arthur Morrill		800.00
Stamped Envelope Agency		642.00
Viking Office Products		147.83
Postmaster		121.80
Treasurer, State of N.H.		304.50
Office of State Planning		5.00
Edith Aldrich, reimbursement postage		32.46
Edith Aldrich, registration/tax liens		2,117.50
Town of Franconia		1,238.95
Grafton County Registry		76.30
NH City and Town Clerks Association		20.00
Edith Aldrich - postage		104.00
N.H. Municipal Association - liability insurance		1,217.61
N.H. Welfare Association - Dues		25.00
Cartographic Associates		933.50

Compensation Funds - Workmen's Compensation	116.76
NHGFOA - Dues	25.00
Alexander & Alexander	1,020.00
Loring, Short & Harmon	32.00
McLean Hunter	18.00
Capitol Business Forms	93.20

Total	20,603.66
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ELECTION & REGISTRATION

Sherwin/Dodge Printers	336.92
James Walker	60.00
Marjorie Tilton	40.00
John Tilton	15.00
Priscilla Dube'	115.00
Carol Walker	10.00
John Rowbotham	70.00
Linda Mitchell	40.00
Harrison Publishing - ballots	177.50
Social Security - Paid	21.42
Withheld	10.71

Total	875.13
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TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS

Mike Hern	42.93
PSNH	1,275.14
J.C. Plumbing	1,194.70
N.E. Telephone	553.81
Kelley's Foodtown	93.94
Radio Shack (PA System)	401.75
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles Fuel	1,546.67
Franconia Hardware	54.12
Lissa Boissonneault (reimbursement)	6.99
White Mountain Technical (lights)	402.93
George Stroup (reline chimney)	2,123.00
Laurence Ring (answering machine)	89.96
Lissa Boissonneault - custodian	750.00
Donald Boissonneault - custodian	750.00
Social Security - Paid	229.50
Withheld	114.76

Forever Sprouting Lawn Care	2,280.00
Linda Peterson	125.00

Total	11,805.68
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Richard Donovan - Salary		25,763.71
Richard Donovan - Reimbursement		5.00
Richard Prescott - Salary		16,662.47
Richard Prescott - Reimbursement		41.14
Thomas Andross		1,769.30
PSNH - (40% of highway)		609.79
Ben's Uniforms		741.71
Hunt's Auto		183.00
N.E. Telephone (70% of Highway)		404.60
Equity Publishing		309.57
Littleton Office Supply		134.97
N.H. Retirement System - Paid	7,042.56	
Withheld	<u>3,951.72</u>	3,090.84
Jesseman's Garage		314.95
Ossipee Mountain Electric		180.12
Donald Marsh		63.75
Franconia Hardware		150.45
NHMA Health Insurance		5,335.88
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles Fuel - no lead		2,139.97
Kelley's Foodtown		72.16
Franconia Auto		67.50
N.H. Bar Association - dues		30.00
G.A. Clark & Sons		12.50
N.H. Chiefs Association - dues		20.00
NAPA Auto Parts		611.57
Foto Factory		65.05
Firestone Stores - tires		396.64
Bob's Exxon		675.49
N.H. Municipal Association - liability insurance		4,345.89
Workmen's Compensation		1,227.50
Treasurer, State of NH		20.00
MSS Communications		349.00
Littleton Mini Motors		85.37
Auto Emporium		447.30
Grafton County Sheriff - 8123/911		4,588.00
Wise Uniforms		284.37
Town of Franconia 8123/911 lines		1,398.23
Garneau's Garage		40.00
Harrison Publishing		179.05
Dr. Robert Campbell		140.00
White Mountain Publishing		20.00
Corey's Gun Shop		24.00
Social Security - Paid	270.70	
Withheld	<u>135.35</u>	135.35
Laurence Ring - answering machine		89.95
Noyes Tire		92.10
Littleton Sunoco		5.00

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Total	73,413.71
INSURANCE	
NHMA Health Insurance (Brad Whipple & Mark Taylor)	1,749.44
PLANNING BOARD	
Sherry Steinberg	313.71
Postmaster, Sugar Hill	58.00
Sandi Reinhold, fax	8.00
Manchester Union Leader	36.80
Office of State Planning	5.00
N.H. Municipal Association	103.00
Equity Publishing	80.00
White Mountain Publishing	60.97
Laurence Gardner	521.52
Total	1,187.00
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	
Sherry Steinberg - secretary	271.06
Nighswander, Martin & Mitchell	3,964.09
Sherwin/Dodge Printers	164.90
Postmaster, Lisbon	29.00
Office of State Planning	40.00
Equity Publishing	16.00
N.H. Municipal Association	20.00
James Walker, postal reimbursement	8.45
Caledonian Record	22.50
Total	4,536.00
LEGAL	
Law Office of Laurence Gardner	5,031.38
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
J.C. Plumbing	104.00
PSNH	854.22
Kenneth Bull - reimbursement	65.00
C & S Specialty	3,234.20
Fire Engineering	21.95
New England Telephone	498.05
Twin State Mutual Aid	749.35
LJM Services	3,661.92
Mike Hern	337.44



TOWN OF SUGAR HILL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sugar Hill, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, will be held at the Meetinghouse on Tuesday, March 10, 1992, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

The polls will open at 11 a.m. for voting by ballot on Article 1 (the election of Town Officers) and Articles 2 through 4 (Zoning Amendments). The polls will close at 7:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 7:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 1. To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Treasurer to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Town Clerk to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Tax Collector to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Moderator to serve for a term for two (2) years
- An Overseer of Public Welfare to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Library Trustee to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Supervisor of the Checklist to serve for a term of six (6) years
- A Trustee of Trust Funds to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Auditor to serve for a term of one (1) year
- And such other Town officers as may be required by law.

ARTICLE 2. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #1 which would amend Section 1102.2. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this amendment to Section 1102.2 is to set forth specific limitations as to the number of buildings and the area, both interior and exterior, involved in a Light Commercial use."

ARTICLE 3. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #2 which would renumber Section 1102.7 to 1102.6, and add new Sections 1102.7 and 1102.8 relating to Light Commercial use. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this amendment is to more specifically state the standards and procedures to be used by the Zoning Board of Adjustment in determining whether or not to issue a special exception for Light Commercial use and also to include a list of the existing uses allowed as a Light Commercial use, as well as the existing uses excluded as a Light Commercial use.”

ARTICLE 4. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board in Amendment #3 which would add a new Section 104 and to change the form of the table of use for each Zoning district. The official copy of the Amendment is on file and available to the public at the Office of the Town Clerk and will be on display on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sugar Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows. The purpose of this Amendment is to more specifically state that land uses permitted or allowed under the Zoning Ordinance are those uses described and defined in the Zoning Ordinance.”

ARTICLE 5.

To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 12,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	22,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	1,000.00
Auditor	200.00
General Government Buildings	12,000.00
Planning Board	2,500.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	5,750.00
General Legal Expenses	5,000.00
Sugar Hill-Franconia-Easton C of C	4,000.00
Police Department	74,000.00
Fire Department	31,500.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Town Highway Maintenance	52,000.00
Highway Block Grant	26,100.00
General Highway Department Expense	35,000.00
Highway Dept. Heavy Equip. Capital Res. Fund	10,000.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal	25,100.00
Health Department	25.00
Health, Hospitals and Ambulances	4,815.00
Franconia Life Squad	1,000.00

Vital Statistics	100.00
Welfare	100.00
Library	6,000.00
Parks and Recreation	5,705.00
Patriotic	100.00
Conservation Commission	150.00
Principal of Long-Term Notes	11,200.00
Interest Expense-Long-Term Notes	10,000.00
Interest Expense-Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$368,445.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to complete the painting of the exterior of the Meetinghouse.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) for cemetery maintenance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw funds accrued during 1991 from the Cemetery Trust fund to offset the above amount (approximately \$3,000).

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand four hundred dollars (\$5,400) for the purchase of a computer system and for the initial setup and inputting expenses of same.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) to repair the damaged siding on the west side of the firehouse and for other building maintenance.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00) for the purchase of a four wheel drive vehicle for the Police Department and obtain part of the funds for such purpose from the sale of the 1985 police cruiser and designate the Selectmen as agents of the Town to withdraw and expend money from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve fund for the purposes of this vote.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 to establish a Land Use Change Tax Fund. Action under this Article shall be by ballot. The question to be submitted to the voters is as follows:

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 79-A:25-a to account for revenues received from the Land Use Change Tax in a fund separate from the general fund?”

Any surplus remaining in the Land Use Change Tax Fund shall not be part of the general fund until such time as the legislative body (Town Meeting) shall have the opportunity at an annual meeting to vote to appropriate a specific amount from the Land Use Change Tax Fund for any purpose not prohibited by the laws or by the

Constitution of this State. After an annual meeting, any unappropriated balance of the Land Use Change Tax revenue received during the prior fiscal year shall be recognized as general fund revenue for the current fiscal year.”

(If a majority of those present and voting on the question vote in the affirmative, the statute shall take effect on the date on which the vote is taken.)

ARTICLE 14. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to:

“Be it resolved that no immediate family member of an elected official of the Town of Sugar Hill shall be appointed to any regulatory committee or board, such as the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and so forth, during the term of the elected official.”

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend without further action by the Town Meeting money from the State, Federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year, as provided in RSA 31:95-b, which limits the expenditures to legal purposes for which a town may appropriate money and requires a public hearing prior to the Selectmen taking any action.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 80:52 to direct a discount of one percent (1%) to be made to those persons or corporations who shall pay taxes within a period of three (3) weeks from the date of the tax bill.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by the town by Tax Collector’s Deed either by public auction or by advertised sealed bids as provided in RSA 80:80.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to name the Selectmen as agents of the Town to carry out the objectives designated by the Town in the following capital reserve funds: Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund, Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund, Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

(The recent decision of the New Hampshire Supreme Court in the case of Adams, et al v. Bradshaw, et al, decided November 1991, clarified State law that if the Selectmen are named as agents of the Town as described in this Article, the Selectmen may withdraw and spend money from a capital reserve fund so long as it is for the purpose of that particular capital reserve fund, without Town Meeting vote. The practice in Sugar Hill has been to obtain Town Meeting approval for withdrawing money from a capital reserve fund.)

ARTICLE 20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of February, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-two.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL - REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1991	Actual 1991	Estimated 1992
Taxes:			
National Bank Stock Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 1.44	\$ 0.00
Yield Taxes	2,500.00	5,016.63	1,500.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	2,500.00	7,582.53	2,500.00
Land Use Change Tax	0.00	6,769.07	0.00
Intergovernmental Revenues-State:			
Shared Revenue-Block Grant	25,000.00	28,196.02	25,000.00
Highway Block Grant	24,805.39	24,805.39	26,100.00
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	45,000.00	54,824.00	50,000.00
Dog Licenses	250.00	580.50	400.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	500.00	1,732.00	1,000.00
Charges For Services:			
Income From Departments	1,000.00	1,458.25	1,000.00
Rent of Town Property	0.00	300.00	150.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interests on Deposits	3,000.00	4,117.57	2,000.00
Sale of Town Property	0.00	175.00	100.00
Other Financing Sources:			
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	0.00	0.00	17,000.00
Withdrawals from General Fund Trusts	3,400.00	5,038.69	3,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund Balance	25,000.00	35,780.53	20,000.00
Short Term Loan	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$132,955.39	\$176,377.62	\$149,750.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL - EXPENDITURES

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Approp. 1991	Actual 1991	Estimated 1992
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 10,350.00	\$ 10,527.79	\$ 12,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	25,000.00	20,603.66	22,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	720.00	875.13	1,000.00
Cemeteries	7,000.00	7,000.00	9,000.00
General Government Buildings	10,000.00	11,805.68	12,000.00
Planning	2,500.00	1,187.00	2,500.00
Zoning	1,000.00	4,536.00	5,750.00
General Legal Expenses	5,000.00	5,031.38	5,000.00
Advertising & Regional Association	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Auditor	0.00	0.00	200.00
Public Safety:			
Police Department	70,500.00	73,413.71	74,000.00
Police Cruiser CRF	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,000.00
Fire Department	31,500.00	32,105.13	31,500.00
Civil Defense	100.00	-0-	100.00
Highways, Streets & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	50,000.00	54,963.04	52,000.00
General Highway Dept. Expenses	32,000.00	31,985.58	35,000.00
Highway Block Grant	24,805.39	24,805.39	26,100.00
Highway Department CRF	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00	9,485.05	10,000.00
Sanitation:			
Solid Waste Disposal	22,350.00	20,413.74	25,100.00
Health:			
Health Department	25.00	-0-	25.00
Health, Hospitals & Ambulances	4,751.69	4,751.69	4,815.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	152.50	100.00
Franconia Life Squad	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Center For New Beginnings	195.00	195.00	0.00
Welfare: Town Poor	100.00	0.00	100.00
Culture and Recreation:			
Library	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,000.00
Parks and Recreation	4,716.00	5,097.28	5,705.00
Patriotic Purposes	100.00	0.00	100.00
Debt Service:			
Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	20,000.00	19,938.24	11,200.00

Interest Expense - Long-Term			
Bonds & Notes	11,000.00	11,633.16	10,000.00
Interest Expense -			
Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000.00	250.00	1,000.00
Capital Outlay:			
Conservation Commission	0.00	0.00	150.00
Paint Meetinghouse	4,000.00	3,803.95	4,000.00
Road Sweeper	8,000.00	6,072.00	0.00
Firehouse Doors	7,000.00	6,884.00	0.00
Town Plan	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Computer System	0.00	0.00	5,400.00
Fire House Maintenance	0.00	0.00	3,500.00
Police Cruiser	0.00	0.00	17,000.00
Operating Transfers Out:			
Meetinghouse CRF	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Town Plan Trust Fund	2,500.00	1,141.35	0.00
Street Light Trust Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Master Plan (previous year article)	784.00	784.00	0.00
Fire Pond Fund	<u>1,953.41</u>	<u>1,953.41</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$402,475.49	\$403,894.86	\$419,345.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue			\$149,750.00
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			\$269,595.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1991

	Approp. 1991	Actual 1991	Unexpended or Overdrafts
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 10,350.00	\$ 10,527.79	\$ (177.79)
Town Officers' Expenses	25,000.00	20,603.66	4,396.34
Election & Registration	720.00	875.13	(155.13)
General Government Buildings	10,000.00	11,805.68	(1,805.68)
Planning Board	2,500.00	1,187.00	1,313.00
Zoning Board	1,000.00	4,536.00	(3,536.00)
General Legal	5,000.00	5,031.38	(31.38)
Advertising & Regional	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Police Department	70,500.00	73,413.71	(2,913.71)
Fire Department	31,500.00	32,105.13	(605.13)
Civil Defense	100.00	0.00	100.00
Town Maintenance	50,000.00	54,963.04	(4,963.04)
General Highway	32,000.00	31,985.58	14.42
Highway Block Grant	24,805.39	24,805.39	0.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00	9,485.05	514.95
Solid Waste	22,350.00	20,413.74	(1,936.26)
Parks and Recreation	4,716.00	5,097.28	(381.28)
Health Department	25.00	0.00	25.00
Hospitals, Ambulances	4,751.69	4,751.69	0.00
Center For New Beginnings	195.00	195.00	0.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	152.50	(127.50)
Franconia Life Squad	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Library	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Patriotic Purposes	100.00	0.00	100.00
Welfare	100.00	0.00	100.00
Principal Long Term-Bonds	20,000.00	19,938.24	62.11
Interest Long Term-Bonds	11,000.00	11,633.16	(633.16)
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000.00	250.00	(1,750.00)
Police Cruiser CRF	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Heavy Equipment CRF	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Fire Department Doors	7,000.00	6,884.00	116.00
Cemeteries	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
Painting of Meetinghouse	4,000.00	3,803.95	196.05
Road Sweeper	8,000.00	6,072.00	1,928.00
Meetinghouse CRF	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Street Light Trust Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Town Plan Trust Fund	2,500.00	1,141.35	1,358.65
Fire Pond Trust Fund	1,953.41	1,953.41	0.00
Town Plan Capital Reserve	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Master Plan (Composite Map)	784.00	784.00	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$402,475.49	\$403,894.86	\$(8,791.54)

NAPA Auto Parts		443.12
Franconia Hardware		35.21
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles Fuel (heat)		2,174.63
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles - No Lead		311.24
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles - Diesel		152.07
Ossipee Mountain Electric		35.64
AD Sanel		8.93
Lincoln Sign Company		919.00
Riverside Auto		2,867.55
Jesseman's Garage		750.00
Laconia Fire Equipment		13.70
Littleton Sunoco		75.00
Motorola		438.50
Douglas Amsbary		79.61
Fred Lyndes, Electric		204.25
N.H. Municipal Association - liability insurance		4,682.35
Workmen's Compensation		152.56
Town of Franconia 8123/911 line service		643.50
Laurence Ring, answering machine		89.95
MSS Communications		163.00
Kelley's Foodtown		38.30
PAYROLL:		
Albert Aldrich		270.00
Clifton Aldrich		408.00
Harold Aldrich		429.00
Roger Aldrich		6.00
Douglas Amsbary		429.00
Don Boissonneault		656.00
Kenneth Bull		270.00
Tristram Coffin		360.00
Ronald Cole		177.00
Scott Cramer		360.00
James Cyrs		384.00
Robert Gilbert		219.00
Joseph McCarthy		538.00
Paul Pinkham		559.00
Peter Robertson		1,040.00
James Snyder		477.00
David Southworth		655.00
Derrick Underwood		111.00
Tom Untersee		285.00
Lloyd Card		78.00
Social Security - Paid	1,179.78	
Withheld	<u>589.81</u>	<u>589.89</u>
Total		32,105.13

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Unifirst Corporation	946.40
The Tool Crib	46.00
PSNH	1,524.47
E.W. Sleeper	115.99
Deb's Wheel & Deal	444.05
NAPA Auto Parts	158.96
NHMA Health Insurance	6,913.78
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles Fuel-heat & diesel	4,500.97
N.C. McCulloch/Stiles Fuel-no lead	1,260.53
N.E. Telephone	173.40
Jordon Milton	1,248.26
AD Sanel	562.13
Franconia Hardware	88.28
Easy Start Small Engines	583.71
Jesseman's	3,350.57
Lisbon Hardware	28.00
Noyes Tire Company	2,686.60
E-Z Steel	5.30
Motorola	100.70
Arthur Whitcomb	976.97
Penn Culvert	932.26
Donbeck Sales	89.00
Workmen's Compensation	1,389.07
Brown's Concrete	243.22
Harold Aldrich tractor rental	1,037.50
David Southworth, sweeper rental	40.00
N.H. Municipal Association - liability insurance	1,023.38
Dud's	50.00
J.C. Plumbing	112.13
Varney & Smith	9.58
BB Chain	345.00
AKZO Salt	999.37

Total	31,985.58
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ROAD AID

N.H. Bituminous Co.	17,749.10
Pike Industries	3,866.04
Doris Disbrow	2,009.00
Town of Franconia, gravel	1,181.25

Total	24,805.39
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TOWN MAINTENANCE

WINTER	
Harold Aldrich	12,955.75
Ronald Leavitt	9,931.50

Robert Peckett		1,150.00
Birchbrook Construction		1,414.50
Pike Industries		4,608.96
Social Security - Withheld	1,750.37	
Paid	<u>3,501.75</u>	<u>1,750.88</u>

Total		31,811.59
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SUMMER

Harold Aldrich		12,094.50
Ronald Leavitt		9,387.00
Brian Lucas		20.00
Social Security - Withheld	1,639.78	
Paid	<u>3,287.73</u>	<u>1,649.95</u>

Total		23,151.45
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Grand Total Town Maintenance		54,963.04
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STREET LIGHTING

PSNH		9,485.05
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SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Treasurer, Town of Franconia		19,967.74
North Country Council - Hazardous Waste Day		<u>446.00</u>

Total		20,413.74
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RECREATION

Town of Franconia		5,097.28
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HEALTH, HOSPITALS & AMBULANCES

Littleton Regional Hospital		1,500.00
White Mountain Mental Health		644.49
Grafton County Senior Citizens		110.00
North Country Home Health		1,108.00
Ross Ambulance		1,071.00
Tri-County Community Action		200.00
American Red Cross		118.20
Franconia Life Squad		<u>1,000.00</u>

Total		5,751.69
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VITAL STATISTICS

Edith Aldrich, Town Clerk		152.50
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LIBRARY

Richardson Memorial Library	4,000.00
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SERVICE CHARGES

Peoples Bank	10.70
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TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Edith Aldrich, Tax Collector	43,874.82
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DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS, REFUNDS

John Wagner	91.07
Clarence MacCallum Estate	20.38
Fred J. Hunt, Jr.	5.78
A. Emminghausen and C. Burke	<u>141.88</u>

Total	259.11
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ARTICLE #10

Town Plan	2,500.00
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ARTICLE #11 - Road Sweeper

N.H. Explosives	6,072.00
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ARTICLE #12 - Paint Meetinghouse

Winn Construction	3,803.95
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ARTICLE #14 - Meetinghouse Capital Reserve

Trustees of the Trust Funds	5,000.00
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ARTICLE #15 - Cemeteries

Forever Sprouting Lawn Care	7,000.00
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ARTICLE #17 - Fire Department Doors

Stockbridge Door Company	6,884.00
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ARTICLE #18 - Street Light Capital Reserve

Trustees of the Trust Funds	1,000.00
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ARTICLE #19

Center For New Beginnings	195.00
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Previous Year Article #7

Cartographic Associates (Composite Map)	784.00
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STATE AND COUNTY	
Kathleen Ward, Treasurer	67,751.00
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	
Town Plan	1,141.35
Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve	10,000.00
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve	5,000.00
John O'Brien - Fire Pond CRF	<u>1,953.41</u>
Total	18,094.76
ADVERTISING	
Franconia, Sugar Hill, Easton Chamber of Commerce	4,000.00
INTEREST ON LONG TERM NOTES	
Highway Garage	8,150.32
Fire Station	1,462.50
Fire Engine	<u>2,020.34</u>
Total	11,633.16
LONG TERM NOTES AND BONDS	
Fire Station	2,500.00
Highway Garage	9,854.96
Fire Engine	<u>7,583.28</u>
Total	19,938.24
TEMPORARY LOANS	
Tax Anticipation Note	225,000.00
Interest On Note	<u>4,367.04</u>
Total	229,367.04
SCHOOL DISTRICT	
Lafayette School District	181,644.00
Profile School District	<u>215,695.00</u>
Total	397,339.00
MISC PAYROLL TAXES	270.15
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS EXPENDED	\$1,144,266.12

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds - December 31, 1991

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST	PRINCIPAL				INCOME		
		Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
June 23, 1976	Highway Department (1) (3) Heavy Equipment	\$10,764.67	\$10,000.00	\$	\$20,764.67	\$513.25	\$	\$ 781.33
June 23, 1976	Police Department (1) (3)	5,248.82	5,000.00		10,248.82	260.61		613.68
Aug. 12, 1986	Unemployment Benefits (1)(4) Reserve Fund	1,205.20			1,205.20	66.08		281.52
	TOTALS	\$17,218.69	\$15,000.00	\$ -0-	\$32,218.69	\$839.94	\$ -0-	\$1,676.53

All Funds Invested 100%

(1) Trusts are bank deposits invested at Fleet Bank

Purpose

(3) Acquisition & Maintenance of Equipment

(4) Unemployment Benefits

EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds - December 31, 1991

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST	PRINCIPAL			INCOME		
		Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Balance End Year
June 23, 1976	Fire Department (2) (3)	\$ 805.51	\$	\$	\$ 805.51	\$ 44.18	\$ 188.16
Aug. 12, 1986	Unemployment Comp. (2)(4)	5,367.94			5,367.94	294.34	1,253.87
Aug. 12, 1986	Town Plan Fund (2)(5)	2,786.67	2,500.00		5,286.67	138.27	323.76
Aug. 12, 1986	Fire Ponds Fund (2)(6)	5,389.64		1,102.96	4,286.68	278.64	58.72
Aug. 12, 1986	Gale River Gravel Bars (1)(7)	1,000.00			1,000.00	49.12	62.92
Jan. 30, 1987	Coffin Pond (2)(8)	2,375.44			2,375.44	127.77	499.44
Mar. 18, 1987	Welfare Assistance (2)(9)	5,478.03			5,478.03	303.00	1,338.15
Sep. 9, 1989	Highway Department (1)(10) Property Maintenance Fund	10,000.00			10,000.00	518.58	1,216.08
Dec. 31, 1991	Street Lighting Fund (1)(11)		1,000.00		1,000.00		
Dec. 31, 1991	Meeting House Fund (1)(12)		5,000.00		5,000.00		
	TOTALS	\$33,203.23	\$8,500.00	\$1,102.96	\$40,600.27	\$1,753.90	\$4,941.10
All Funds Invested 100%		Purpose					
(1)	Trusts are bank deposits invested at the Peoples Bank	(3)	Acquisition & Maintenance of Equipment	(7)	Removal of Gravel Bars	(8)	Maintenance of Inlet, Outlet & Shore
(2)	Trusts are bank deposits invested at Fleet Bank	(4)	Unemployment Compensation	(9)	Town Welfare	(10)	Maintenance & Care of Department Property
		(5)	Town Plan	(11)	Maintenance of Street Lighting	(12)	Maintenance of Meeting House
		(6)	Maintenance of Fire Ponds				

CEMETERY TRUST

Report of the Trust Funds - December 31, 1991

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PRINCIPAL				INCOME		
		Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
Sept. 21, 1973	Louise Leazott Trust (4)	\$ 500.00	\$	\$	500.00	\$ 55.87	\$	\$ 756.88
Nov. 5, 1943	Annie H. Bowles Trust (4)	\$ 150.00			150.00	13.90		162.60
Nov. 3, 1937	Frank E. Bowles Trust (4)	\$ 150.00			150.00	13.90		162.60
Oct. 18, 1956	J.L. & Gertrude Bowles Trust (1)	\$ 100.00			100.00	8.89		92.64
July 11, 1984	Hersom Murray Trust (1)	\$ 150.00			150.00	9.39		53.68
Oct. 9, 1975	Sunnyside Cemetery Fund (2)	\$12,000.00			12,000.00	1,012.33	1,012.33	
Oct. 9, 1975	Sunnyside Cemetery Fund (3)	\$17,000.00			17,000.00	1,401.29	1,401.29	
Mar. 13, 1986	Sunnyside Cemetery Fund (4)	\$ 5,671.77	800.00	369.94	6,101.83	302.07	302.07	
	TOTALS	\$35,721.77	\$ 800.00	\$ 369.94	\$36,151.83	\$2,817.64	\$ 2,715.69	\$1,228.40

All Trusts are for Cemetery Lot Care

- (1) Trusts individual bank deposit Peoples National Bank
- (2) Trusts certificate Peoples National Bank
- (3) Trusts certificate Fleet Bank
- (4) Trusts individual bank deposit Fleet Bank

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Having been elected auditor by a few write-in votes, W. W. Pinney for the third consecutive year personally audited the financial statements and books of the Town of Sugar Hill for 1990.

Over the past three years, the Town Auditor has recommended a few changes in procedures and accounting practices. The Selectmen have done an excellent job in implementing these changes and have made the auditing job a lot easier. The Selectmen, Town Clerk, and Treasurer have maintained good control over the Town's financial affairs.

All of the financial statements of the town of Sugar Hill for 1990 have been examined. The Auditors Instructions from the Municipal Services Division of N.H. and the Code of Administrative Rules have been followed. It is the auditors opinion that the financial statements of the various departments fairly present the financial position of the Town.

The report of the Town Audit has been submitted to the Selectmen and the Municipal Services Division of the State Department of Revenue and is on file in the Selectmen's Office.

Sincerely,

William W. Pinney
Sugar Hill, N.H. 03585

CAROLINA CRAPO MEMORIAL TRUST - 1991

A year ago our report indicated that we had experienced a period showing no growth, but had just held our value from the previous year.

This year we are pleased to report a growth of 23.92% from the 1990 valuation. For the past five years the fund has grown from \$229,078 to \$402,043 for a total growth of 75.50% or an annual average growth of 15.10%.

This growth is most gratifying and we will hope that future conditions will continue this trend for the next five year period.

The drop in interest rates during the year contributed heavily to our growth, both in mutual fund and treasury holdings. Hopefully, an upturn in our business economy during 1992 will sustain the high valuations we presently reflect.

The Fund valuation at December 31, 1991 follows:

Cash Funds	
Fleet Bank - Now Checking Account	\$ 814.00
Templeton Money Fund	<u>31,981.00</u>
 TOTAL CASH FUNDS AT 8.16%	 32,795.00
 U.S. Treasury Zero Coupon Bonds - 5/5/1999 at 45.06%	 181,178.00
 Mutual Fund Equity Accounts	
Mutual Series Shares	22,143.00
Scudder - Capital Growth	23,862.00
Templeton - Foreign	11,586.00
Templeton - World	14,173.00
20th Century - Balanced	18,074.00
20th Century - Growth	25,354.00
20th Century - Select	20,402.00
20th Century - Ultra	18,605.00
20th Century - Vista	8,499.00
Vanguard Index Extended	<u>25,372.00</u>
 TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS at 46.78%	 \$188,070.00
 TOTAL FUND VALUE at 100.00%	 \$402,043.00

Respectfully submitted,

Mitchell C. Vincent
Philip Struhsacker
James McCusker

RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Checking Account Balance January 1, 1991	\$ 245.67
Income:	
From the Town	4,000.00
Sale of Books	479.05
Donations	200.54
NY Times Book Review (J. Wakefield)	39.00
Jesseman Scholarship Transfer	200.00
A. Smith Memorial	400.00
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Total	\$5,318.59
Expenditures:	
Salary	1,370.03
Electric	118.10
Fuel	516.63
Services	87.00
Telephone	289.63
Books	1,294.47
Periodicals	92.50
Miscellaneous	774.82
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Total	\$4,543.18
Ending Balance	\$1,021.08

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Richardson Memorial Library is a member of the North Country Library Co-op. The membership entitles the library to a substantial discount on all book purchases from book distributors. It also allows the library to participate in inter-library loans and exchange of information and ideas with other librarians. During the school year the library provides a story hour for first and second grade children from Carolina Crapo school. Children take out books appropriate to their reading level and are read a story.

Librarian wishes to express his thanks and appreciation to the trustees for their splendid support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Leo Wynters
Librarian

LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1991

Attendance	1662
Adult Fiction Loaned	1496
Adult Non-Fiction Loaned	148
Magazines Loaned	139
Paperbacks Loaned	68
Records Loaned	4
Juvenile Fiction Loaned	797
Juvenile Non-Fiction Loaned	<u>298</u>
Total Circulation	2950
Number of Volumes Added	187
Number of Volumes Removed	142

THE WILLING WORKERS SOCIETY

The main purpose of the Willing Workers Society is to serve the community. To accomplish this purpose we have to rely on 20 to 25 women to raise money for our educational and charitable works.

In 1991, donations were made to the Franconia Life Squad, the North Country Home Health Agency, the Sugar Hill Historical Museum, Upper Valley Hostel, Sugar Hill Fire Department in memory of Esther Serafini, Hospice of Littleton area, Bancroft House, Profile School drug-free Commencement Party, Burch House. These totaled \$2250.00 and included two memorials. Sunshine baskets were given to shut-ins, and fruit or flowers to those who were ill or in the hospital. We also provided five memorial receptions.

The \$1000.00 Scholarship Award established by the Society for a Sugar Hill senior from Profile High School who plans to continue his or her education beyond secondary school was given to Patrice Young, the daughter of Gary and Carolyn Young. Patrice is attending Florida Institute of Technology and is majoring in Marine Biology. In her first semester she made the Dean's list. The \$1000.00 is given to the recipient at the beginning of the second year of college or technical school.

To raise money for its work, the Willing Workers hold three fund-raising events during the year, a silver tea and silent auction, a Summer Sale and a Christmas Bazaar. The dates will be published in the Courier.

The officers for 1992 are: Pat Dubé, President; Norma Osgood, Vice President; Sylvia Hutchinson, Secretary; Edna Glaessel, Treasurer; Jeanne Ring, Assistant Treasurer. The efforts of Jeanne Ring, our Work Coordinator meant a great deal to the Society and are greatly appreciated.

We want to thank Mr. E. N. Lodge of Lodge's Toy Store, Littleton, for contributing generously to our Christmas festivities.

The Willing Workers extend our gratitude and appreciation to all who supported us in reaching our charitable and educational goals.

Marion L. Sullivan
President

SUGAR HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT 1991

The following activities have been logged with the police department for our community over the past year.

	1990	1991
Aid Agencies	55	99
Criminal Arrests	6	13
Criminal Investigations (complaints)	159	94
Motor Vehicle Accidents	12	13
Motor Vehicle Complaints	16	12
Motor Vehicle Summonses	185	152
Motor Vehicle Arrests	9	12
Motor Vehicle Warnings	250	283

Law Enforcement in the 1990's has faced an increase in community conflicts. The state of the economy, unemployment as well as the collapse or restructure of the major systems in society, are all partially responsible for this increase.

No one knows the future, but a crystal ball isn't needed to suggest that the police will be asked to perform more services, as the Annual Crime Index continues to rise.

It is the function of Law Enforcement to safeguard the public. I ask that we all strive to work together to keep the Police Department up to its task as a first line defense against crime.

Thank You,

Respectfully,

Richard Donovan
Police Department

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

1991 was a very dry and busy year for the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service as well as local fire departments due to our increase in the number of fires. Our three major causes of fires in 1991 were non-permit, children and smoking materials. 450 wildland fires in New Hampshire burned approximately 150 acres for an average fire size of one-third acre.

Primarily, the local fire department is responsible for extinguishing these fires. Keeping the average fire size this small is a tribute to early detection by citizens, our fire tower lookout system and the quick response of our trained local fire departments.

In every municipality, there is a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens that are responsible for directing suppression action on wildland fires, working with other fire department members under the direction of the N.H. Forest Fire Service to make sure that all fire department members are properly trained and equipped for suppressing wildland fires. Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Wardens receive specialized training each year, presented by the N.H. Forest Fire Service, to keep their skill level and knowledge of forest fire laws up to date.

The local Warden and selected Deputy Wardens are also responsible for issuing burning permits for any open burning that is to be done in their community. In New Hampshire, any open burning, except when the ground is completely covered with snow, requires a written fire permit prior to lighting the fire. Before doing any open burning, it is recommended that you contact your local fire department to see if a permit is required and to save your community the cost of sending fire equipment on a false alarm. Any person violating the permit law (RSA 224:27) shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Please help your local Warden and fire department by requesting a fire permit before kindling a fire, be understanding if they tell you it is not a safe day to burn and help keep New Hampshire green! Thank you for being fire safe.

ROBERT D. NELSON, Chief, Forest Protection

SUGAR HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Sugar Hill Fire Department responded to 21 calls during 1991. The breakdown is as follows:

Structure Fires	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	4
Powerlines	1
Mutual Aid	9
False Alarms	2
Electrical Problems	1
Grass Fires	1
Misc.	1

In regard to the 911 Emergency Phone Number, it must be stressed that it is for EMERGENCIES ONLY. Please use 911 only if you are in need of Fire, Police, or Medical help. Information such as town officers, phone numbers, town hours, transfer station hours, can all be found in your Town Report. The Selectmen’s office, fire department and police department have put in answering machines to try to further assist you.

Finally, for those of you who do not have 911 stickers on your phones, please stop in and pick them up from our Town Clerk.

The department is also happy to report that we have access to a new pond located on Center District Road. Thanks to Mr. Pinney. This new pond will provide badly needed water in this part of town. We hope the town can continue to develop water sources over the years to come.

Once again, the Fire Department is looking for new members. If you are interested, please come to a meeting. We meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Respectfully,

Sugar Hill Fire Department

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD

1991

This past year we in the Life Squad have seen one of our most demanding years. Our Squad has been reduced to just nine members. These nine people have given of themselves beyond belief.

We are all now certified E.M.T.'s and also certified in the use of a defibrillator.

We have utilized money from both Sugar Hill and Easton to offset the cost of a new portable radio and new reflective E.M.T. vests for our protection while at traffic accidents. We also purchased a new Sawz All, for use in extrication of the injured which is also available for use by our Fire Department.

I would like to express our appreciation to Franconia, Sugar Hill and Easton tax payers for their continued support of our Squad.

The following is a breakdown of our activity from January through December 1991. We have had a total of 71 reportable runs thus far.

<u>Emergency Description</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fran.</u>	<u>S. Hill</u>	<u>Easton</u>	<u>Other</u>
Motor Vehicle Accidents	15	9	4	0	2
Medical Emergencies	25	17	4	2	2
Rec. Vehicle Accidents	1	1	0	0	0
Bicycle Accidents	2	2	0	0	0
Misc. Health Problems	10	8	1	1	0
Cardiac Problems	5	4	0	1	0
Alcohol Problems	1	1	0	0	0
Deaths	2	2	0	0	0
Burns/Fire Related	1	1	0	0	0
Pediatric Emergency	2	2	0	0	0
Mt. Rescue Med. Emergency	2	2	0	0	0
Drug Overdose	1	1	0	0	0
Minor Med. Emergency					
No Transport Required	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	71	52	10	5	4

At this time I would like to encourage anyone living in the tri-town area who is a certified E.M.T. to consider becoming a member of our Squad. If you are interested in becoming an E.M.T., a spring course should be offered in the early spring. Contact any squad member for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel N. Peabody, Chief
Franconia Life Squad

NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.

The North Country Home Health Agency, Inc., is a not-for-profit community service agency providing home care and health promotion services to residents of twenty-one North Country communities. 1991 marked the Agency's twentieth year of existence and another year of quality service provision and growth. In 1991, Agency personnel provided 15,781 home care visits while caring for 536 clients. This represents a 21% increase in home care visits over 1990 and a 49% increase since 1989. Many factors have contributed to the need for and the increased use of home health care programs. As a matter of cost containment inpatient lengths of stay have decreased. This has meant that clients are returning home in need of more frequent and more intensive home care. Our elderly population is growing and many of these elderly need assistance and supervision to remain safely at home.

During 1991, the Agency also provided over 50 community health clinics. More than 1200 individuals took advantage of the services provided such as influenza immunization and health screenings.

The Agency continues to work to attract State and Federal funding for local programs and services in order to meet the increasing demand. In 1991, \$283,000 in such funding was used to provide direct home care services to residents in the North Country. In the town of Sugar Hill services provided were as follows:

66	Nursing Visits
227	Home Health Aide Visits
94	Homemaker Visits
38	Physical Therapy Visits

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the members of the community, clients, their families and our staff for their participation in Agency programs and look forward to serving you in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Presby
Executive Director

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has had a productive year. Two new members, Dr. Robert Condon and David Thurston have joined our work.

Zoning changes prompted by legislative action and our changing times are in process. Despite every effort to predict and address all contingencies, unforeseen matters and situations do appear. Changes are then required. We wish at all times to maintain a sensitive stewardship of the good resources of the town.

Present market conditions have had an obvious effect upon subdivision requests. (Each year the Planning Board does review the Subdivision regulations). This is a good time to examine carefully that which we have in resources and assets that make our community a good place in which to live. We are a rural area where reasonable goals are economic stability and careful growth, both of which are carried out so as to be consistent with our ability to support them.

The Capital Improvement Program has been completed. The Master Plan updating will be ready this year for citizen examination. In all our considerations we wish to maintain practices that conform to the community desires and to be aware of changing needs. At the same time we wish to achieve a balance so as not to add to the tax burdens.

The Planning Board will follow a practice of including in its reports definitions and explanations of matters that are important for community residents and land-owners. Following this report is a discussion of CONSERVATION EASEMENTS.

As always the Board welcomes constructive ideas. It is inevitable that there will be changes in public policies, use of lands, designs of buildings and their use, and, always, new laws. It is our task to try to stay abreast.

The Planning Board meets on the first Tuesday of each month except for holidays, in which case, it convenes on the second Tuesday of that month. Time, 7:30 PM; Place, Meeting House. All Sugar Hill residents are welcome to attend.

Respectfully,
Philip Robertson, Chairman

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

The following is reprinted from a brochure by the Upper Valley Land Trust.

What is a conservation easement?

A conservation easement is a legally enforceable agreement between the landowner and a governmental or private conservation organization wherein the landowner permanently separates certain ownership rights from a particular tract of land and the organization agrees to monitor the land for the purpose of insuring that the provisions of the agreement are honored. The easement is recorded at the county or town records office so that all future owners and lenders will learn about the restrictions when they obtain title reports. Most often easements are donated, but in some instances they are bought for full or partial value.

Landowners grant conservation easements to protect their land from inappropriate development while retaining private ownership. A conservation easement assures the landowner that the resource values of his or her property will be protected forever, no matter who the future owners are.

Any property of value for agriculture, forestry, recreation, water resources, wildlife habitat or for its scenic or historic qualities may be protected by means of a conservation easement. The staff of the land trust can help you evaluate the features of your property.

Who can grant an easement?

Any owner of property with conservation values may grant an easement. If the property belongs to more than one person, all owners must consent to granting an easement. If the property is mortgaged, the owner must obtain an agreement from the lender to subordinate its interests to that of the easement holder so that the easement cannot be extinguished in the event of foreclosure.

How restrictive is an easement?

An easement restricts development and other uses of the property to the degree that is necessary to protect the significant values of that particular property.

Future residential or commercial construction may be prohibited entirely or limited to specific sites where the impact will not impair the environmental quality of the property.

Other restrictions or limitations on the use of the land may be applied, such as limiting the land to forestry or to agriculture, prohibiting filling, excavating or removal of topsoil and gravel, or disallowing billboards, commercial buildings and other undesired structures.

Certain uses of the land may be specifically allowed, such as educational and scientific activities, hunting, fishing, hiking or skiing in specified areas, or construction of buildings that conform to the purposes of the agreement.

Provisions for the preservation or restoration and protection of structures and sites of historic significance that are located on the land may be included.

Land protected by a conservation easement may be sold, given or transferred at any time. In some cases a limited number of specified subdivisions may be permitted.

How much land must be included in a conservation easement?

Any amount. A conservation easement may apply to only a small part of an owner's land or to all of it, depending upon what the owner wants to protect and on whether the easements and restrictions are acceptable to the monitoring organization.

How are conservation easements enforced?

The recipient organization is responsible for monitoring compliance with the agreement in perpetuity. Representatives of the organization will visit the property periodically to determine that no violations have occurred. The organization will use written records and photographs to document violations.

A property owner should make sure that the recipient organization has the time and resources to carry out its monitoring responsibility. An organization that accepts the donation of an easement typically asks the landowner to make a contribution toward the costs of monitoring in perpetuity or will establish a monitoring fund from other sources.

Are there financial benefits to donating a conservation easement?

The donation of a conservation easement constitutes a charitable gift which may be deductible for federal income tax purposes if the property meets conservation standards established by the federal government. A conservation easement may also reduce the value of a landowner's estate, and lower the estate taxes levied on his or her heirs. In some cases a conservation easement may also reduce a landowner's property taxes. Detailed information on the tax consequences of land protection is available from the land trust.

Does an easement allow public access?

Landowners who grant conservation easements make their own choice about whether to open their property to the public. Some landowners convey specific public access rights, such as allowing fishing in designated areas or hiking along a clearly defined trail corridor. Others do not. Public access is more often granted when the property has a history of public use and is perceived to be a recreational resource.

What is the structure of a conservation easement?

A conservation easement conveys certain rights or interests in real property. Its opening statements set forth intentions and identify the grantor (landowner) and grantee (conservation organization or governmental body). The easement then contains an explicit statement of purposes, as suggested by the Internal Revenue Service, for the landowner who wishes to treat the conveyance as a donation for income tax deductions. The next section of the easement contains a careful description of the property to which it applies. There is a description of that portion of the property covered by the easement and any special features or unique and significant qualities that will be protected. The third section lists the landowner's reserved rights and the restrictions which the grantee organization is willing to accept and monitor. Finally, the fourth section contains provisions that are required for legal purposes.

FRANCONIA / EASTON / SUGAR HILL RECREATION PROGRAM

Summer Recreation Program

Based out of Peabody Lodge at Cannon Mountain, The Franconia/Easton/Sugar Hill Recreation Program provided 7 weeks of activities for over 80 area children.

We welcomed Jennifer Mynter as our new director, Wendy Mitton and Ginny Clark as Assistant Directors and Matt Vaughn, Debbie Daigle and Amanda Jones as counselors. Jean Serino returned as our swimming instructor.

The weeks were filled with hiking, swimming, cooperative games, art projects, folk dancing, sports and field trips. We had a wonderful excursion to the Big Apple Circus and a special day of activities with Native American Todd Goodrich.

Many thanks to the staff and to all of the parent volunteers who helped to make the program successful.

Little League Program

For the first time in many years, Franconia fielded two Little League Teams. Under the superb coaching of Greg Connors, Chris Collman and many volunteers, the teams fine-tuned their playing skills. The result of all their efforts was victory in the All Star Tournament.

Kathy Galligan, Matt Colpitts and Gary Harwood coached three farm league teams with great enthusiasm. Hal Tuttle again did a superb job coaching the "Crushers" softball team. Over 80 children from the tri-towns benefited from these programs.

Special thanks to Jane Hughes and David Sullivan for their years of service on the Recreation Committee and for their dedication to an area baseball program for our children.

Winter Recreation Program

The winter portion of the Recreation Committee takes care of the Franconia town rink for all skaters. Elementary school age children from the tri-town area can participate in our youth hockey program and recreational figure skating lessons. The rink stays open, weather permitting, every afternoon, weekends and both Christmas and February vacations. Many thanks to all our skating volunteers who gave their time for our childrens' enrichment.

A very special thank you goes to Barry Field and Margo Connors for their many years of dedication to the skating programs.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

The Franconia-Sugar Hill-Easton Chamber of Commerce has had a fantastic year! It's been exciting to see the growth and unity that has come out of these difficult economic times. With tourism struggling in this trying economy it is most evident that we must join forces to stretch the value of each dollar spent. We have done that and it has worked !

This year we received a Matching Grant from the State in the amount of \$2725.00. This money enabled us to not only print a new, up-dated local brochure for the area, but to see that it got distributed out of state. We printed and distributed all 30,000 brochures.

The booth attendants did a particularly good job of keeping people in the area. They directed tourists to local services and business facilities and helped them find lodging in our tri-town area. They mailed out information in response to both letters and phone calls. This coming year we have a new 800 phone number and we anticipate at least doubling those inquiries. We expanded the booth attendants' job by manning the Tram Building at Cannon 3 days a week. That was possible primarily because we did have Martin Johnston volunteer one day and a paid employee the other two. We really need to have more coverage in that location, but we felt it important to stay within our budget and be assured of having proper coverage at Peabody Base Lodge for the winter season.

The Chamber sponsored the July 4th Pollyanna Days Parade, B.B.Q. and Hot Air Balloon rides. Participated in the Annual Hayseed festival, co-sponsored a Kruse Night at the Dairy Bar and sponsored the largest Craft and Quilt Show in the show's history. We continue to work with other area chambers to coordinate events, work on cooperative projects and serve our communities. This year we are working on a Co-operative 4-color, 20-page magazine brochure with 3 other chambers (Lincoln-Woodstock, Twin and Gateway). We will print and distribute 300,000 brochures. This is an \$84,000.00 project made possible by Matching Grants . . . it received the highest score ever given a grant! We will also reproduce an updated version of last year's brochure to distribute locally, at Cannon and in the State rest areas.

In an effort to promote the tri-town area and get our 800 number in the hands of the tourists the Chamber coordinated a two page ad in Yankee Travel Guide, placed an ad in AAA and the State Hospitality Guide.

The Community Calendar is in place and more and more organizations are utilizing it to promote their event. We send monthly Calendar of Events to over 40 different outlets for free publication.

We look forward to 1992 bringing about an upward trend in the economy and a banner year for all of us. We hope to sponsor or help promote more events in each of the tri-towns. It is our goal to promote a community spirit of UNITY, STRENGTH, and PROSPERITY. Our motto this year was "A Chamber that works together . . . works!" We proved it in 1991 and will expand it in 1992!

We thank you for your help and the support that helps us to make it work.

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

In a continuing effort to communicate more directly with Grafton County citizens, we take great pleasure in submitting the following report for your information.

During the past year, the County Nursing Home has continued to provide excellent care for approximately 120 elderly and infirm residents while complying with the increased demands of new federal regulations. In November we opened a unit designed to meet the needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease and similar afflictions, which has been very well received by residents, families, and staff.

Inmates in the House of Corrections have benefited from the Thresholds/Decision-making program, taught by volunteers who help their clients prepare for more productive lives in jail and on the outside. A grant from the Attorney General's Office has also provided us with a substance abuse counselor for the jail.

New projects were also initiated at the County Farm. The piggery was reinstituted (20 piglets were born to 3 sows in October), and a lilac nursery was added through the State Lilac Commission (lilacs will be ready for distribution to public agencies in the spring). The farm also planted extra potatoes for contribution to local food pantries throughout the county, a project we plan to continue in future years.

Since September the Commissioners have worked with the Sheriff, Assistant Sheriff and members of the County Legislative Delegation to review the County Dispatch Center and revise the fees charged for telephone answering and radio dispatching services. Discounts were eliminated for 1992 and fees based on actual use are planned beginning in 1993. Copies of the Study Committee's report are available at the Commissioners' Office.

For the second year in a row we were able to reduce county taxes while maintaining necessary county services. The Commissioners intend to continue to hold the line on expenses, but do expect a modest tax increase next year due to the elimination of surpluses generated by unanticipated increases in nursing home revenues.

This past year the County distributed over \$78,000 in state Incentive Funds to local agencies to prevent out-of-home placements of troubled children and youth. The County also provides a Youth and Family Mediation Program available free of charge in the Lebanon, Littleton, and Plymouth areas.

The Board of Commissioners has made great strides in expanding efforts to inform our constituents about county government. Tours of county facilities, a mock trial for school children, and an open house took place during County Government Week in April, and plans are underway for an even broader program for the coming year (April 5-11). We held a special information session for local officials in September, have spoken to school and civic groups, and developed a slide presentation to show people what the county does.

In closing, we wish to express our sincere appreciation to local officials and agencies and the citizens for continued interest and cooperation in our efforts to serve you. The public is invited to attend our regular meetings at 9:15 a.m. on Thursdays at the County Administration Building in North Haverhill. The Commissioners also welcome the opportunity to speak or show our slides to students and civic groups. Please call our office at 787-6941 for further information or to request a speaker.

Respectfully submitted,

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Betty Jo Taffe, Chairman, District #3 (603) 786-9836
Gerard J. Zeiller, Vice Chairman, District #1 (603) 448-1909
Raymond S. Burton, Clerk, District #2 (603) 747-3662

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL Annual Report

North Country Council is the Regional Planning Commission for 51 towns in northern New Hampshire. It was established almost 20 years ago by the legislature to respond to communities' needs for local and regional planning and development programs. As a membership organization, the Council is supported by local community dues which are used to match state and federal funding sources.

Assistance available to member towns includes municipal planning, regional planning, transportation planning, business and industrial planning/development, landscape architecture, solid waste planning, resource management, GIS mapping and public education. The Council provides this professional assistance to Planning Boards, Boards of Selectmen, Zoning Boards of Adjustment, Conservation Commissions, Solid Waste Districts, Local Development Corporations, Non-Profit Community Organizations, Chambers of Commerce, Educational Institutions and Social Service Organizations and Agencies in our member towns.

In SUGAR HILL, the Council provided general technical assistance on planning and land use issues. In addition, Council staff has been working very closely with the Planning Board on the update of the Sugar Hill Master Plan and the development of a Municipal Capital Improvements Program. In August, Sugar Hill took part in a regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection organized by NCC which collected over 1,000 gallons of toxic material.

Throughout 1991 North Country Council continued its commitment to local and regional planning assistance. The year also saw the Council rededicate its economic development program to address the worsening North Country economy, its solid waste program to aggressively reduce the volume of solid waste generated in the region, and its land use program to address the problems confronting the Northern Forest.

In the ensuing year the Council will continue its present course and work program with an intense commitment to local technical assistance, development of local leadership and ability, and the provision of membership services to support community and regional needs.

Persons interested in regional issues as discussed in this report are urged to contact their selectmen for appointment as Council representatives or committee members.

**BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1991**

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
June 10, 1991	Lucia Knapp Williams	Bradford C. Williams	Alice Hamblin
September 17, 1991	Samantha Joan Branch	Philip H. Branch	Starcy Sullivan
November 26, 1991	Samuel Thomas Johnk	Gordon C. Johnk	Caryn Shamey

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1991**

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
March 1, 1991	Jonathan Daniel Segal Lisa Frances Harrington	Sugar Hill, NH Kittery, ME
March 2, 1991	Kenneth Ericsson Mary Rose MacInnis	Weymouth, MA Braintree, MA
April 5, 1991	Paul Velair Willey Lesa Marie Keymont	South Boston, MA South Boston, MA
April 17, 1991	Richard George Hunt Claudia Gay Progin	Sugar Hill, NH Sugar Hill, NH
July 20, 1991	Alan Richard Schell Anne Elizabeth Vernon	West Roxbury, MA West Roxbury, MA
August 17, 1991	Brian Henry McCorkle Gail Suzanne Steketee	Arlington, MA Arlington, MA
September 7, 1991	David Aaron Cardin Lydia Farman Richardson	Woburn, MA Chelmsford, MA
November 23, 1991	Jon Peter DesTroismaisons Lana Marie McInnis	Sugar Hill, NH Sugar Hill, NH

**DEATHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1991**

DATE OF DEATH	NAME & SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
February 14, 1991	John William Guider, II	Frank H. Guider	Patricia Harvey
April 25, 1991	James R. Branch	William Branch	Elizabeth Morganstea
June 9, 1991	Esther T. Serafini	Daniel Tefft	Alice Bowles
August 31, 1991	Selden J. Hannah	Frank Hannah	Mary McKenna
September 18, 1991	William E. Chase	William I. Chase	Agnes MacDonald

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TOWN HOURS

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

823-8468

Monday	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Tuesday	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Thursday	8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

823-8468

Monday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

PLANNING BOARD

First Tuesday of each month	7:30 PM
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TRANSFER STATION

Monday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday	CLOSED
Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

823-7001

Tuesday	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Thursday (Summer)	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Thursday (Winter)	CLOSED
Saturday	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

SUGAR HILL MUSEUM

823-8142

Thursday	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Saturday	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Sunday	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

OPEN: July 1st - October 31st

<p>FIRE, POLICE, LIFE SQUAD EMERGENCY ONLY 911</p>

Non-Emergency Police/Highway
823-8725

Non-Emergency Fire Department
823-8415

